# **EXHIBIT J**

# Demand the Islip Town re-open Roberto Clemente and Casamento Pools



Renee Ortiz started this petition to Islip Town Councilman Anthony Senft (Liason to TOI Parks Dept.) Islip Town Board

Dear Islip Resident,

Thank you for being an active member of our community. Recently, our elected officials at the Islip Town Board voted to close the pools at Roberto Clemente Park in Brentwood and Casamento Park in West Islip, without the input of our hardworking residents. Further, the Town of Islip Board increased funding to pools inmore affluent communities.

We pay taxes, and use the pools the same as all other residents. When cuts are made to services in one part of town, yet others receive more funding for the same services, it is time stand up

# **Petition Closed**

This petition had 596 supporters



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We pay taxes, and use the pools the same as all other residents. When cuts are made to services in one part of town, yet others receive more funding for the same services, it is time stand up and speak out for the rights of all residents in our community. By signing this petition you are stating to the Town of Islip town board that you demand to have funding restored to Roberto Clemente and Casamento Pools, and unfair cuts to our services will not be tolerated! Thank you for your standing up for your community!

## **Updates**

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# Reasons for signing



joseph fritz - 6 years ago

my late brother Nick Fritz has a soccer field at the Clemente Park. Nick was killed in Viet Nam and this soccer field was named for him by Supervisor Frank Jones.

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Lorraine Booker - 6 years ago

For over 30 years I have lived in this community and the parks have always been an integral part of it. My children who are now adults spent many happy times there. Why do taxes go up with diminished services. This cycle must end.

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## Reasons for signing

See why other supporters are signing, why this petition is important to them, and share your reason for signing (this will mean a lot to the starter of the petition).



#### gail bloomfield

5 years ago

Not every family in West Islip can afford a pool of their own. What are for taxes for anyway? Are we now in West Islip the "have and have nots" Wealthy and middle class. No I mean Wealthy and working poor! Makes my blood boil!



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#### gail bloomfield

5 years ago

I pay enormous property tax with no accessible pool? No wonder our children and grand children are leaving the island. We are becoming a society of the "have and have nots" If you can afford an in ground pool in West Islip, that's great. What about the rest of us taxpayers? Last year my husband... Read more



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#### Tamara Clark

5 years ago

Because my children have been playing there for years, we want our children out of the street and somewhere safe and contained, we now have to go to Central Islip.



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#### Rosa Quiles

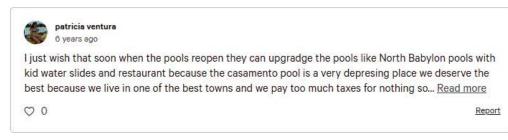
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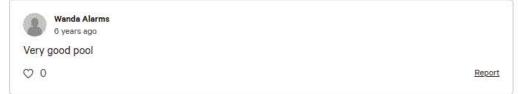
Brentwood Community used this recreational facility formany years. Maintenance of the pool was not adequate and was the cause of its closing. No plans have been made to fix it as of yet (August, 2013) This community pays taxes for recreational facilities.

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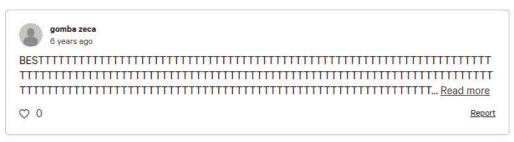
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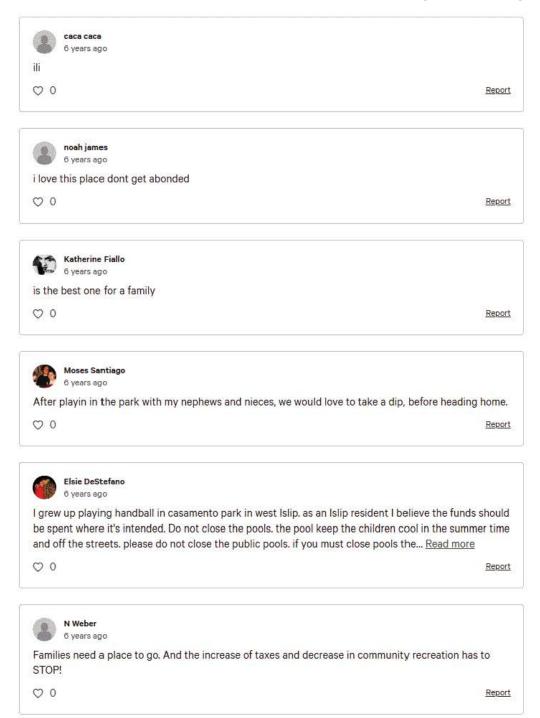




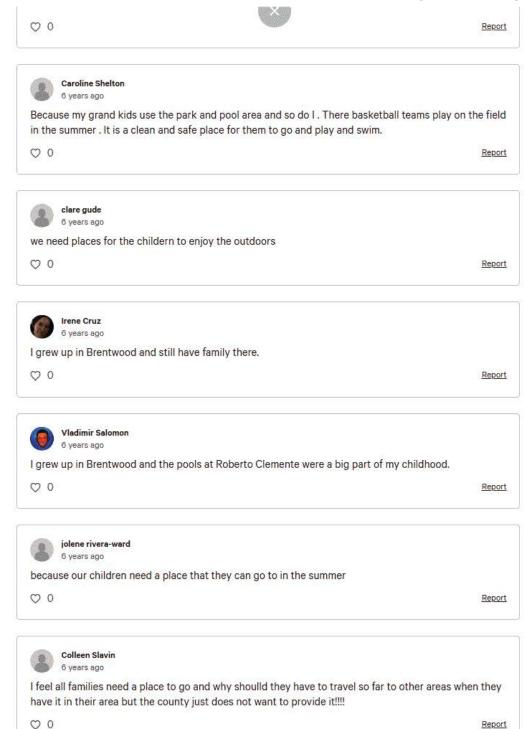




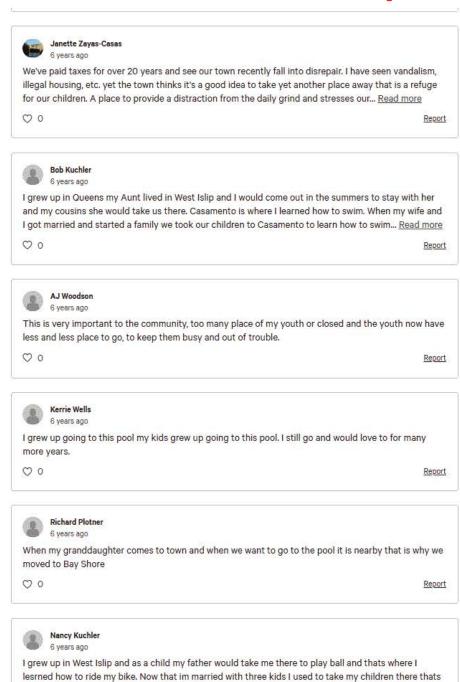
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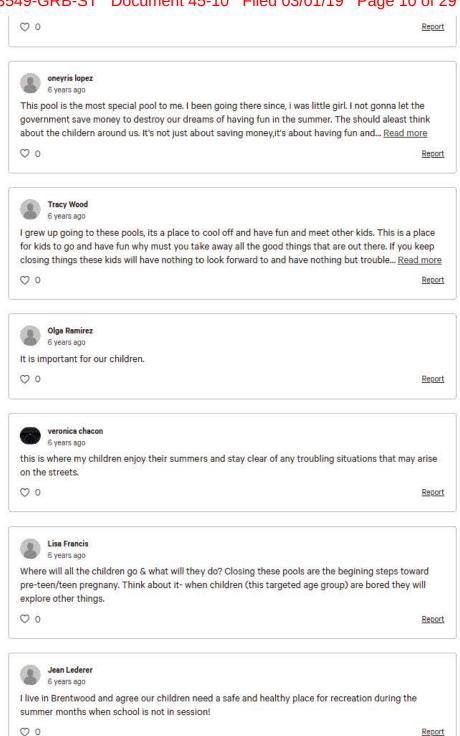
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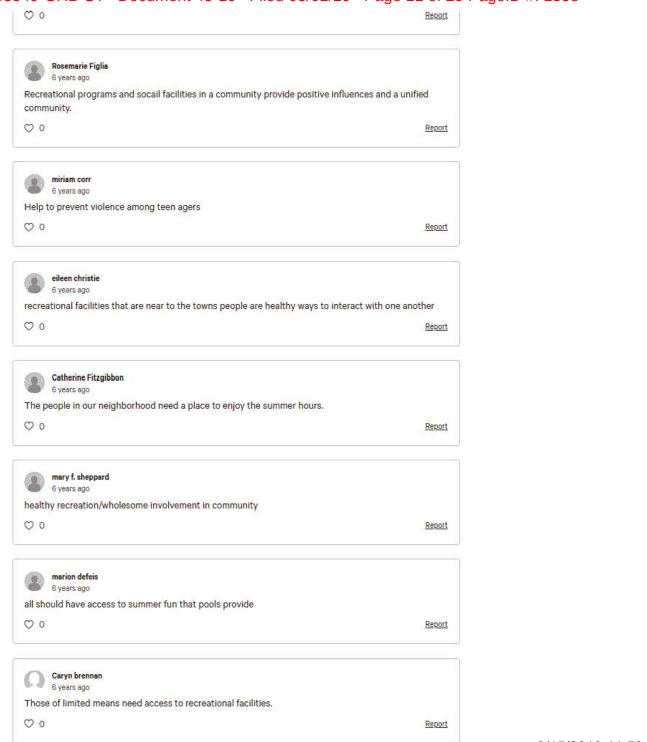
where my kids went for swimming lesson we spent my weekends as a family at Casamemto... Read more

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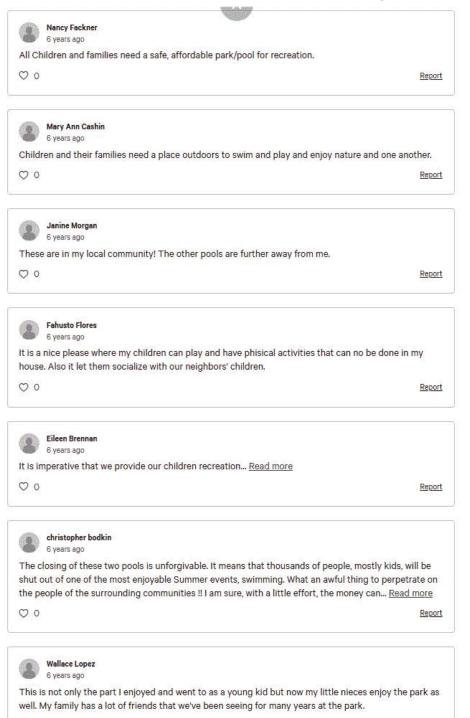
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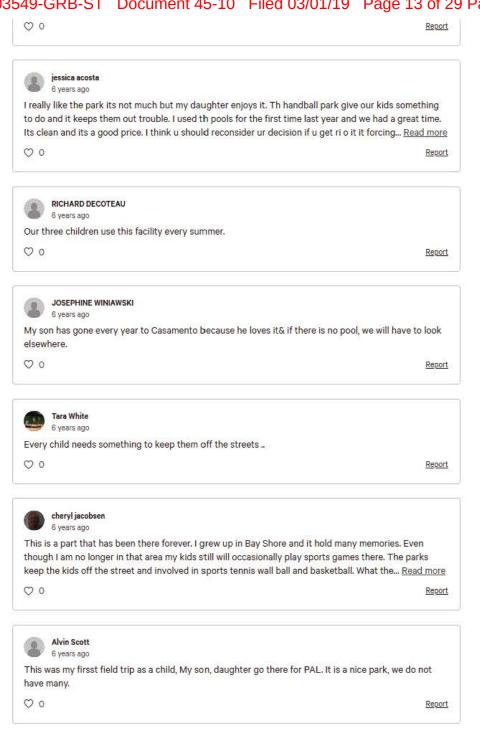


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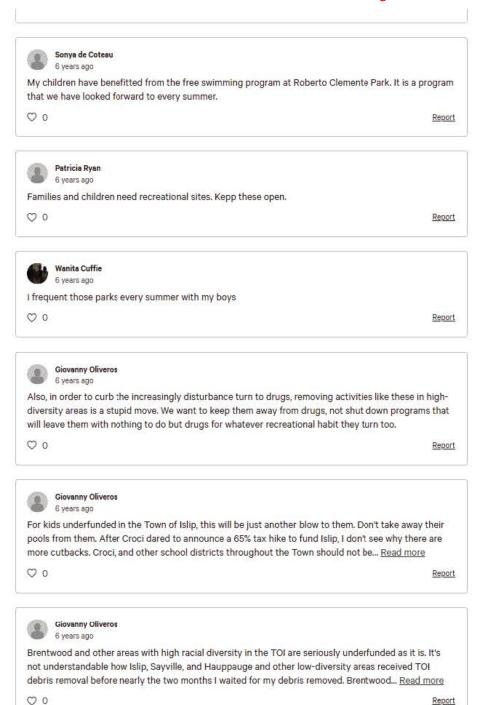


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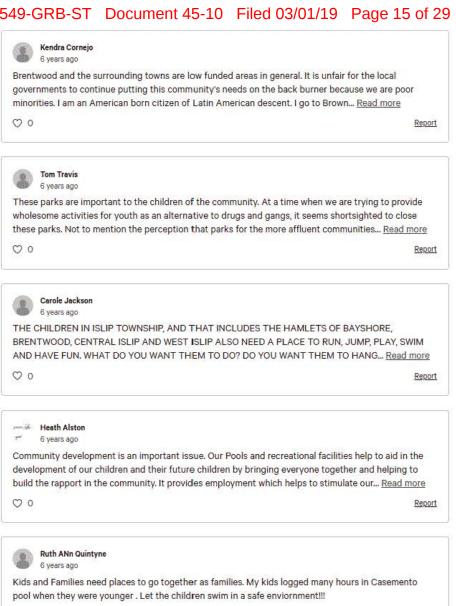
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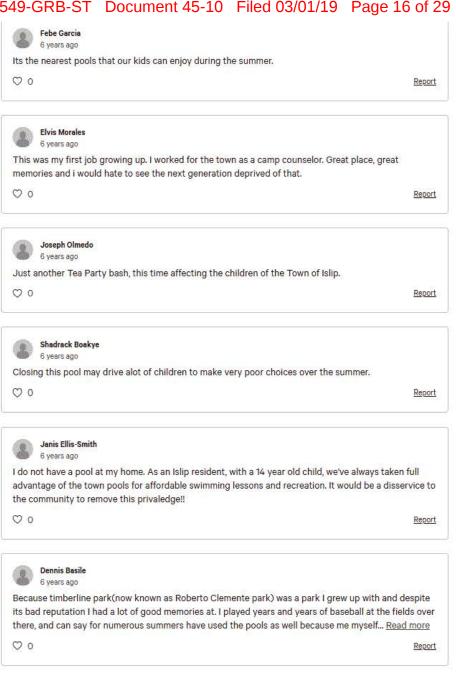
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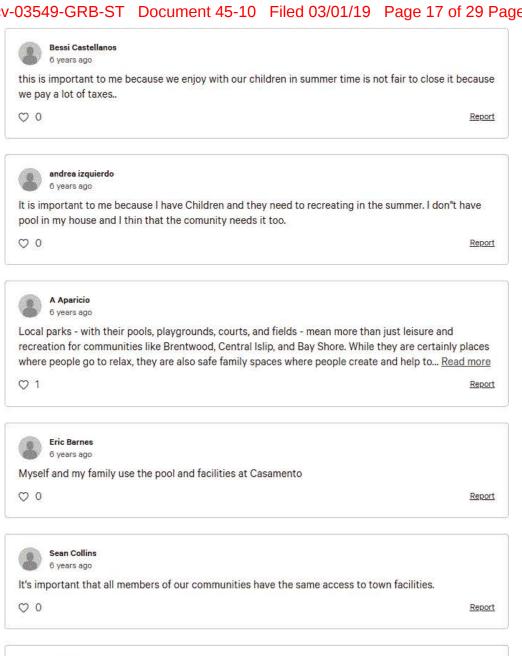


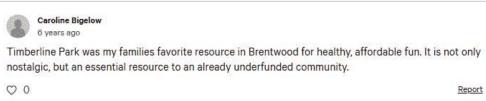


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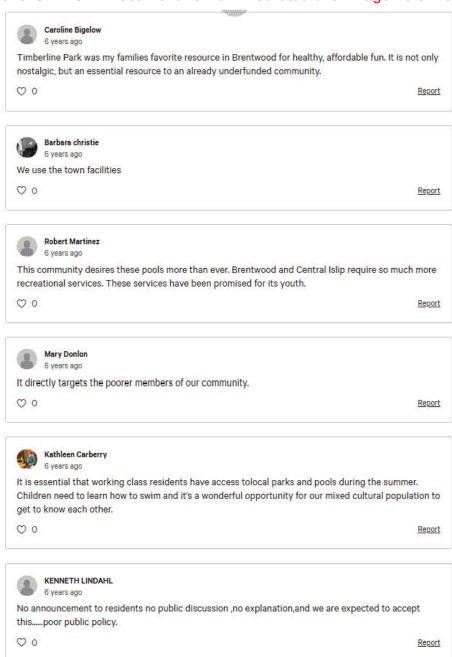
We pay a lot taxes and I think is not fair for our children and us.

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#### raquel carpenter

6 years ago

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#### Georgette Carswell

6 years ago

I grew up going to summer camp here each year. It was a great experience. As a camper we went on great trips and loved going in the pool. The staff was awesome with all the children. My brother and I had a lot of fun each day. This park is great for children and families in the area.



Report



#### Gary Arnold

6 years ago

We live in one of the mostly costly areas of the country. Providing parks and pools are just two of the things that we should make available to the many families that make up this township. Giving our children a positive alternative to just hanging out helps to foster positive development.



Report



#### kathy machin

6 years ag

It is hard to believe that out of all the parks the Islip Town Board closes the two pools located in the township that are located in the neighborhoods that need them the most. This smacks of classicism and racism. Oakdale and Hauppauge were out of the question? Perhaps because your... Read more



Report



#### Lourdes. Bautista

6 years ago

We need to keep these pools open in our communities. The Brentwood town does not need to be the victim of cuts and family's sacrifice in order to meet deficits. To many family's this is the only source of summer recreations that they can only afford. Not the expensive vacations that others... Read more



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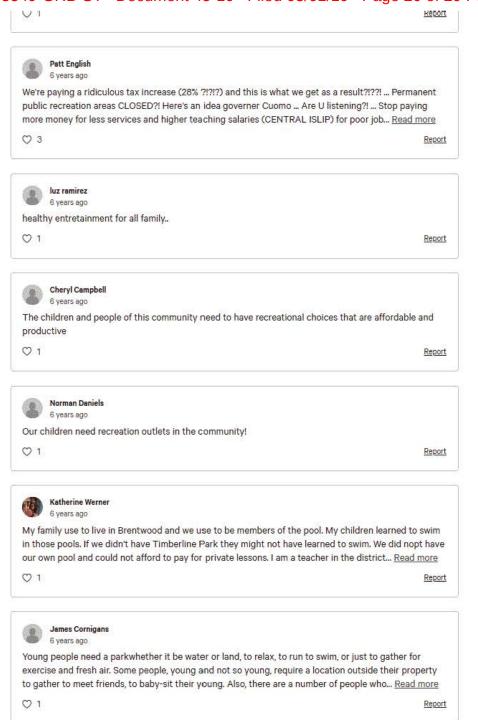
#### Anne Marie Farrell

6 years ago

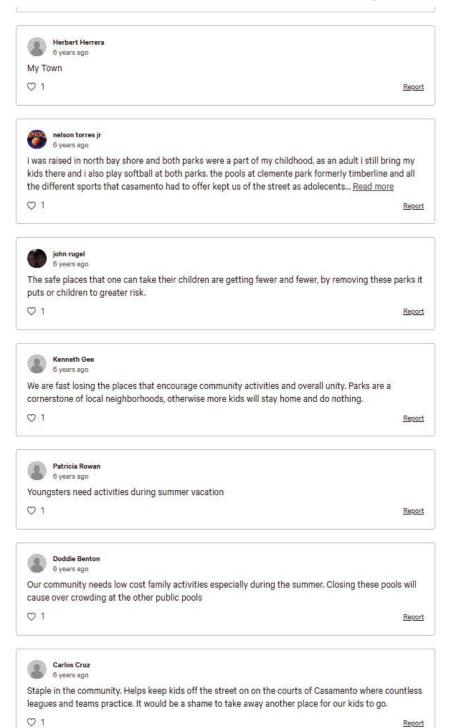
Having lived in the Town of Islip community for almost 30 years, I know that these pools are invaluable resources for the children, families and entire community. I believe it to be imperative that the Clemente and Casamento Park Pools be kept open rather than those in in areas where children enjoy... Read more

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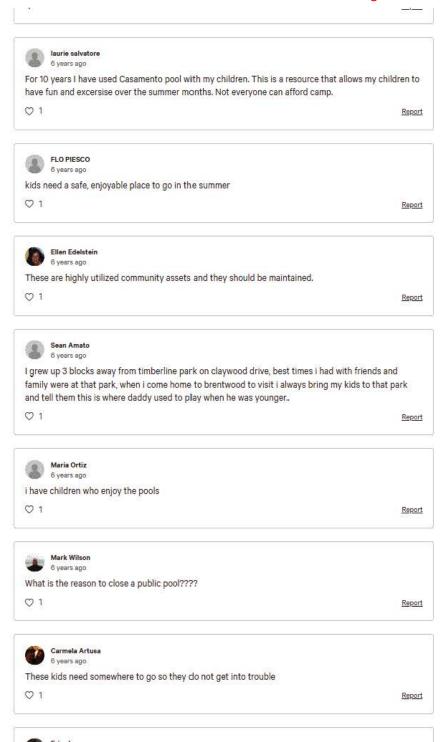
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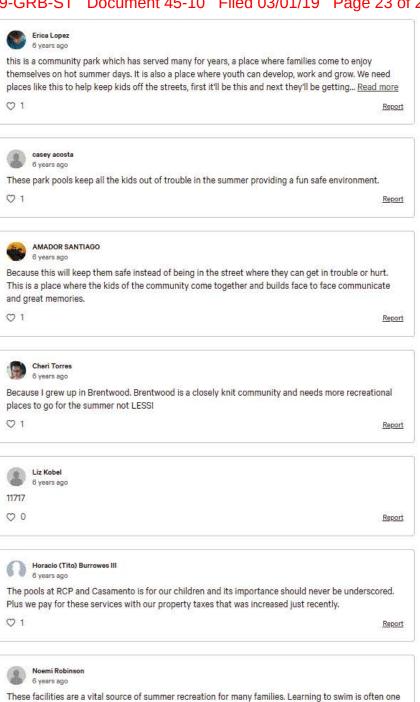
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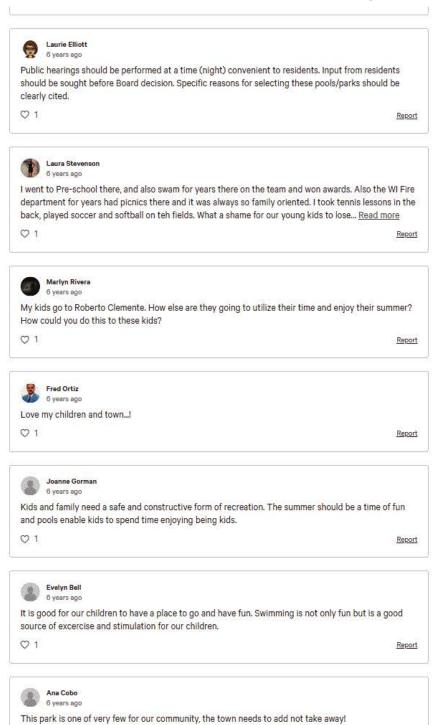
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of the skills that saves a wide range of lives. The number of drownings or near drownings at beaches and pools would be greatly reduced. I have two members of my dance organization who... Read more

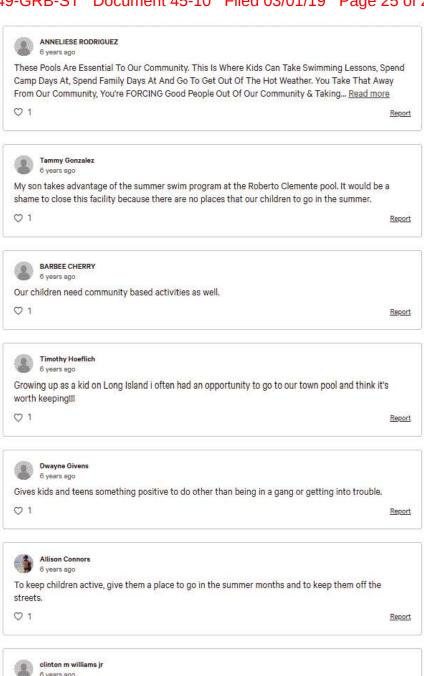
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I am a former Brentwood resident who learned how to swim and how to be a lifeguard at Timberline Pool. This was the closest pool available to me that offered swimming instruction. It is also the closest public pool available to Brentwood residents today with swimming instruction for yound... Read more

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#### Nancy Sacks 6 years ago

These pools serve the lower-income residents of our area whom cannot afford camps and other summer enrichment programs. To deprive Bay Shore residents of this affordable summer recreational activity is deplorable.

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#### SANDRA GIL

6 years ago

The closing of these park pools limit our residents the opportunity to access a safe venue to recreation and entertainment. For many town residents, the only option they have.

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#### juanita alston

6 years ago

Our children dont have much to do a ta fair price to keep them off the streets, the pool is something everyone could agree kept most us out of trouble, I would love for my children and others to have the same opportunity.

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#### Lynda Perdomo-Ayala

6 years ago

The lack of constructive activities for children on Long Island are bad enough without there being another facility shut down.

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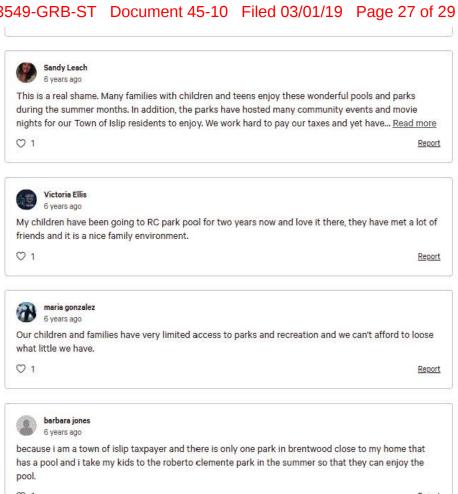
#### Ralph Horton

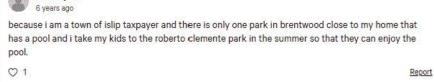
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the closing of these facilities would also eliminate alternatives for our youth in areas already plauged with gang activity

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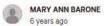






Maintaining these resources is an investment in ALL of our youths' future.

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Many seniors make a great deal of use of our parks and it would be taking one more pleasure out of our lives that costs us nothing.

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Generations of my father's family used this park and others in Islip. They learned to swim, play sports and got much-needed fresh air. This is poor planning and shortsighted on the part of the Town Board. Why close one of the busiest parks in one of the needlest parts of the Town? Something is... Read more

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Grew up in both above towns.. all pools have been a great community recreational activity for all residents whether its keeping in shape by being active, swimming practice or simply a positive pass time to stay out of trouble.. Why would there be a Sudden urge to close these pools... Read more

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#### Judi Pashoukos

6 years ago

The most utilized should not be the first to go. That is just poor planning, Keeping pools open in wealthier areas of town shows the real prejudice that exists in the town.

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#### John Santana

6 years ago

After nearly two years of violence perpetrated against our neighbors (including 11 murders within the tri-hamlet area), local residents banded together to stop the violence and find more positive, healthy outlets for our children. Those included events within and proposed improvements to our... Read more

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#### Lorraine Booker

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